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that by allowing these school masters to act as branch postmasters, we are giving them some supplementary income."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" Questions over."

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—MOTION UNDER RULE 22 (3) OF THE ASSEMBLY RULES *RE* CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" Sir, I move—

'*That the order of business be changed in such a way that items* (3), (4), (5) *and* (6) *under II-A—Bills and items* (1), (2) *and* (8) *under II-B—Resolutions be taken up first.*'

" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, இன்று காலை உங்கள் அறையில் எல்லாக் கட்சித் தலைவர்களும், சர்க்கார் கட்சித் தலைவரும் ஒன்று கூடிப் பேசி ஒரு முடிவுக்கு வந்திருக்கிறோம். அதற்கு இணங்க இன்றைய தினம் விவாதத்திற்கு வரக்கூடிய உத்தியோகப் பற்றற்ற மசோதாக்களை எல்லாம் ஒத்திவைத்துவிட்டு, introduce பண்ணுவதற்காக வந்திருக்கிற மசோதாக்களை மாத்திரம் move பண்ணிவிட்டு பின்னர் உத்தியோகப் பற்றற்ற தீர்மானங்களை விவாதத்திற்கு எடுத்துக் கொள்ளவேண்டுமென்று நான் கேட்டுக்கொள்ளுகிறேன்."

" அதோடுகூட உத்தியோகப்பற்றற்ற தீர்மானங்களில் முதல் தீர்மானம் ஸ்ரீ வி. வேணுகோபால கிருஷ்ணசுவாமி அவர்களால் கொடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. அவர் காங்கிரஸ் கட்சி அங்கத்தினர்தான். அவர் இன்றைக்கு வராததால் அதே வாசகம் அடங்கிய தீர்மானத்தைக் கொடுத்திருக்கும் ஸ்ரீ பி. சொக்கலிங்கம் அவர்களுடைய கடைசித் தீர்மானத்தை முதலிலும், பின்னர் இரண்டாவதாக ஸ்ரீ ரத்தினம் கொடுத்திருக்கும் தீர்மானத்தையும் எடுத்துக் கொள்வோம். அத்தோடு இன்றைய விவாதத்திற்கு மூன்றாவது தீர்மானமாக ஸ்ரீ கே. பி. கோபாலன் கொடுத்திருக்கும் 8-வது தீர்மானத்தையும் விவாதத்திற்கு எடுத்துக் கொள்வதாக ஒரு முடிவுக்கு வந்திருக்கிறோம். அப்படி எடுத்துக்கொள்ள சபையின் அனுமதியைக் கோருகிறேன். சபை அதற்கு அனுமதி கொடுக்கவேண்டுமென்றும் கேட்டுக் கொள்ளுகிறேன்.

" நேரம் சம்பந்தமாக முதல் இரண்டு தீர்மானங்களுக்கும் $1\frac{1}{2}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$ மணி நேரம் கொடுத்துவிட்டு, ஸ்ரீ கே. பி. கோபாலனின் தீர்மானத்திற்கு அதாவது எட்டாவது தீர்மானத்திற்கு அரை மணி நேரம் கொடுக்கலாமென்றும் நான் சொல்லிக் கொள்ளுகிறேன்."

Sri S. RAMALINGAM :—" I second it, Sir."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" To-day is Friday. We adjourn at 1 p.m. and meet at 3 p.m. So we have only three hours left. Mr. Kalyanasundram has moved a motion that we take up consideration of the three resolutions (1), (2) and (8). That means we have to devote one hour for each since we have only three hours left. Because of the hon. Member's motion, the Bills given notice of by Sri N. K. Palanisamy and Sri M. Narayana Kurup will be formally introduced but detailed consideration of the Bills will be postponed. Am I correct? "

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SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" Yes, Sir. We shall have the Bills on the next non-official day."

MR. SPEAKER :—" All right. Motion moved—

' That the order of business be changed in such a way that items (3), (4), (5) and (6) under II-A—Bills and items (1), (2) and (8) under II-B—Resolutions be taken up first.' "

* SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" I oppose the change in the agenda. The business of the non-official day is arranged and put in the agenda according to Rule 29, I believe. I want that my Bill as set out in the Agenda ought to be taken up first. My bill is a very non-controversial Bill. It is agreed to by every one. 12 10 a.m. Hon. Members will be pleased to know that Sri N. Gopala Menon of the Congress Party itself has given notice of a Bill which is the same as mine. Of course, if it is a matter of adjustment, I have no objection. This Bill may be taken up and may be referred to a Committee. Meanwhile, the Hon. the Leader of the House and the Law Department can go through it to find out whether there is any flaw in it."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Deputy Leader of the Opposition is not against the Bill. He wants time to study the Bill. His Party has not studied the Bill."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" With great respect, I have to say that whenever a non-official day comes, a particular party wants to have precedence for its motions in this House. This is a matter which I oppose with all emphasis at my command."

SRI M. PALANIYANDI :—" உத்தியோகப்பற்றற்ற தீர்மானங்களை வரிசையாக விவாதத்திற்கு எடுத்துக் கொள்ளாமல் கடைசியதை முதலாவதாகவும் பிறகு இரண்டாவதையும், அதற்கு அடுத்தாற்போல எட்டாவது தீர்மானத்தையும் என் எடுத்துக்கொள்ளவேண்டுமென்று கேட்கிறேன். ஏனென்றால் என்னுடைய தீர்மானம் ஆறாவதாக இருக்கிறது. அது எப்பொழுது வரும் என்பதற்காகத்தான் இதைக் கேட்கிறேன்."

MR. SPEAKER :—" ஸ்ரீ பழனியாண்டி, நீங்கள் என்ன சொல்லுகிறீர்கள் ? கொஞ்சம் விவரமாகச் சொல்லுங்கள்."

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I think that hereafter when we take decisions on these matters, the individual members who have given notice of motions should also be called."

SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR :—" I wish to know whether item No. 2, the Madras Indebted Agriculturists (Temporary Relief) Amendment Bill, 1954—comes up for discussion now."

MR. SPEAKER :—" No. It depends upon the will of the House."

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, that Bill is not being moved by the hon. Member concerned. It has already been agreed that he will not move that Bill."

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* SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" Sir, so far as I could gather from Sri M. Kalyanasundaram's explanation of the position, I think it was agreed that non-controversial Bills could be introduced and taken up to-day and that controversial things may be held over for another day. I would like to know whether introduction and even consideration of non-controversial Bills, which may not take any time, may also be finished to-day because they may not take much time. I believe that Mr. N. K. Palaniswamy's Bill is a non-controversial one. If it is likely to be controversial, then it may be considered later on."

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" It is for the Malabar Members to decide whether it is controversial or non-controversial. I am completely out of the picture. I may confess that I am not able to understand anything which relates to Malabar tenures."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The Hon. Minister himself wants time to go through the Bill."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" May I explain the position, Sir? This arrangement was arrived at in order to give time both to the Government and also to the Opposition Parties to study the Bills. The Government pleaded that they would have to examine them. That is why we are postponing this Bill. That is why I have moved a motion for that purpose. With regard to Sri M. Narayana Kurup's other point, I ask ' Is it one particular Party that is dominating this House? ' That is not our intention at all, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The leader of Sri M. Narayana Kurup's party, Dr. K. B. Menon, was present when this arrangement was entered into. His party was represented at the meeting."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" Sir, apart from the fact that the Leader of his Party was present, we are taking up a Resolution given notice of by Sri A. Ratnam. He is not a member of our Party. We are also taking up the Resolution given notice of by Sri P. Chockalingam. He is a supporter of our Party. We have no desire to dominate the non-official day."

* DR. K. B. MENON :—" I mentioned at the meeting that Sri M. Narayana Kurup was interested in having his Bill introduced. I was told by the Hon. the Finance Minister that the Government proposed to introduce some Bill in that connection and, therefore, I thought that it was only right and reasonable that the whole thing might be considered together. I came out to meet the hon. Member, Sri M. Narayana Kurup, to convey the news. He was not to be found. The second time when he came, I met him and he wanted that his Bill should be introduced and I asked for it."

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* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I am sorry I have committed a mistake out of ignorance. That is why I have pleaded ignorance. I had in mind a completely different Bill altogether. It is with reference to Moplah families or some such thing. Therefore, as far as this Bill is concerned, it is for Dr. K. B. Menon and Sri Narayana Kurup to decide whether they agree to the arrangement arrived at in the Speaker's Chamber. I would also like to make it clear that so far as the Government are concerned. they do not want to give preference either to this Party or to that Party. We are completely in the hands of Members."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, I would be the last person to stand in the way if the Government think that time is necessary to consider a particular question. Now, it is evident that the assurance given by the Hon. the Finance Minister is vitiated, as it was made out of ignorance. The Bill given notice of by me is a non-controversial measure and I think it may be taken up."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Then I will put the motion of the hon. Member Sri Kalyanasundram to the vote of the House. Before doing so, I wish to know what the Government have to say in the matter."

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I leave it to Members to decide. I do not want to give any direction. The hon. Member Sri Narayana Kurup says that we are giving preference to a particular party. Therefore, it is for hon. Members to decide the matter."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, I have not been correctly understood by the Hon. the Leader of the House. I did not say that the Government were showing preference to any Party. What I said was that an attempt was made by a particular party to have precedence whenever a non-official day came."

* DR. K. B. MENON :—" Sir, I do not think leaving it to the vote of the House will be fair. We have decided the order by ballot and we should proceed in that order. That would be the fairest way."

* SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, when the Leaders of various parties met in the Speaker's Chamber, it was decided to postpone consideration of the Bills to the next non-official day, that is, next week and not for giving preference to one party or another. But certain hon. Members said that they had not studied the Bills and it was agreed to have one day for Resolutions and another day for Bills. It was on this understanding that it was decided to have Resolutions to-day. So, I appeal to the hon. Member Sri Narayana Kurup not to take it in any other sense. We will be taking up Bills on some day in the next week."

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Mr. SPEAKER :—" If the hon. Member, Sri M. Narayana Kurup, is agreeable, I have no objection."

Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" In view of the controversy over this matter, I do not press my motion."

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" In view of the fact that, rightly or wrongly, some understanding has been arrived at and in view of the hon. Member Sri Swayamprakasam's explanation, I accept the suggestion made by the House." (Laughter.)

Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" I do not press my motion, Sir."

* Sri M. PALANIYANDI :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, இன்றைய தினம் உத்தியோகப்பற்றற்ற மசோதாக்களை விவாதத்திற்கு எடுத்துக் கொள்ளாமல் முதலிலே உத்தியோகப்பற்றற்ற தீர்மானங்களை விவாதிக்கப் போவதாக எதிர்க்கட்சித் தலைவரும், சர்க்கார் கட்சித் தலைவரும் தங்கள் அறையில் ஒரு முடிவுக்கு வந்துவிட்டதாகச் சொல்லப்படுகிறது. 12-20 p.m.

" உத்தியோகப்பற்றற்ற தீர்மானங்கள் வரிசையாகக் கொடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன. அதில் முதலாவது தீர்மானத்தை காங்கிரஸ் கட்சி அங்கத்தினர் பிரேரிக்க வேண்டியிருக்கிறது. அவர் வராததால் அதற்குப் பதிலாக கடைசித் தீர்மானமாகிய ஸ்ரீ பி. சொக்கலிங்கத்தினுடையதை விவாதத்திற்கு எடுத்துக்கொள்ளலாமென்றும் அதற்குப் பிறகு இரண்டு, மூன்று என்று வரிசையாக எடுத்துக்கொள்ளாமல் எதற்கு 8-வது தீர்மானத்தை எடுத்துக் கொள்ளவேண்டுமென்று கேட்கிறேன்."

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" What the hon. Member Sri Palaniyandi wants is that he should be given preference to move his Resolution."

Dr. K. B. MENON :—" Sir, priority was decided by ballot. Therefore, no understanding need be arrived at. Let us follow the order decided by ballot. Then, there would be no trouble."

* Sri V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" It transpires from all that has happened that the broad general sense is that the motion now before the House may be accepted. That appears to be the general trend. Anyway, one thing has been brought to light that even agreements which have been more or less or substantially accepted by the Leaders of the various Parties or Groups do not appear to have a binding force on all hon. Members. It looks almost as if in future Leaders and their followers will have to be consulted."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" That means we have to discuss the matter here openly and spend some time over it."

Sri V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" It only means that Leaders will have to consult all their followers so that they may be able to deliver the goods. That is what is evident now."

Sri M. PALANIYANDI :—" I do not press my viewpoint, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That the order of business be changed in such a way that items (3), (4), (5) and (6) under II-A—Bills and items (1), (2) and (8) under II-B—Resolutions be taken up first.' "

The motion was put and carried.

III.—NON-OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

A. Bills.

(1) THE MADRAS MARUMAKKATHAYAM (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1954.

SRI N. GOPALA MENON :—" Mr. Speaker, I beg leave to introduce the Madras Marumakkathayam (Amendment) Bill, 1954."

SRI P. SELVARAJ :—" I second the motion, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That leave be granted for the introduction of the Madras Marumakkathayam (Amendment) Bill, 1954.' "

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was introduced.

(2) THE MADRAS STATE SOCIAL (ADULT) EDUCATION BILL, 1954.

SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAI :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg leave to introduce the Madras State Social (Adult) Education Bill, 1954."

SRI S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI :—" I second the motion, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That leave be granted for the introduction of the Madras State Social (Adult) Education Bill, 1954.' "

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was introduced.

(3) THE MADRAS TENANTS PROTECTION BILL, 1954.

SRI C. KANDASAMY :—" Mr. Speaker, I beg leave to introduce the Madras Tenants Protection Bill, 1954."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" I second the motion, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That leave be granted for the introduction of the Madras Tenants Protection Bill, 1954.' "

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was introduced.

(4) THE MALABAR TENANCY (SECOND AMENDMENT) BILL, 1954.

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Mr. Speaker, I beg leave to introduce the Malabar Tenancy (Second Amendment) Bill, 1954."

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—" I second the motion, Sir."